



GARDEN CHECKLIST

May 2012

- Feel free to water your plants a few hours after a good rain to really boost their growth, and not lose as much in run off.
- Mulch, mulch, mulch... before the weeds and grass start to take over! Mulch helps retain water, and if you use cedar or some other pest repellent mulches it can be your first line of defense against the bugs.
- Planting marigolds around your garden can help with pests as well, they are a natural bug repellent so a nice 1' wide border of marigolds around your garden can be more than just an aesthetic touch.
- Moth balls are another great pest repellent option, pour them liberally in the grass around your garden plot, or even crush them and powder the edge of your garden with the chalk (*wash all your veggies really well if you do this*).
- Prepare a plan for your tomatoes and any bushing or climbing beans that will need support, cages, or trellises.

Based on a personal garden schedule specific to Central Oklahoma. Check your Plant Hardiness Zones for a planting schedule more specific to your location.

